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5. When a sale is adjourned for more than a week there ought to be a fresh proclamation. If not a fresh proclamation, at least there ought to be fresh notices to the creditors. There ought to be something to convince one that the amount realized in the sale did not suffer a diminution for want of publicity of the adjourned date.

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Appendix VII.

[Vide item IX on page 505 supra.]

To

THE HONOURABLE THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF THE GOVERNOR OF MADRAS.

The Select Committee appointed to consider the Bill further to amend the Madras Forest Act, 1882, for certain purposes (Bill No. 22 of 1935), has the honour to make the following report.

2. The Bill was published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*—

in English on the 29th October 1935,
in Tamil,
in Telugu,
in Kanarese,
in Malayalam,
in Hindustani,
} on the 5th November 1935
and in Oriya on the 12th November 1935.

3. The Committee met on the 11th November 1935 and on the 7th January 1936 and considered the provisions of the Bill.

4. In clause 3 of the Bill, a new section is sought to be enacted which provides that where the Local Government redefine the limits of a reserve forest without extending or altering its limits in any way it is unnecessary to follow the elaborate procedure laid down in sections 4 to 16. The Committee, however, thinks that even in such a case a notice should be published in the official gazette of the district in the manner provided in section 6 specifying the corrections proposed to be made and calling for objections, if any, within thirty days of the publication of the notice. It has amended the proposed new section 17-A accordingly.

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5. For the rest the Committee approves the provisions of the Bill.

6. The Committee considers that the Bill as amended by it need not be republished.

7. A copy of the Bill, as amended, is annexed to this report.

FORT ST. GEORGE, *7th January* 1936. C. S. RATNASABAPATHY, *Chairman.*

[Note.—Changes made by the Select Committee are shown in clarendon type.]

BILL No. 22 OF 1935.

A Bill further to amend the Madras Forest Act, 1882, *for certain purposes.*

(As amended by the Select Committee.)

Madras Act V of 1882.

WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Madras Forest Act, 1882, for the purposes hereinafter appearing; AND WHEREAS the previous sanction of the Governor-General has been obtained to the passing of this Act;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

1. This Act may be called the Madras Forest (Amendment) Act, **1936**. Short title.

2. In section 2 of the Madras Forest Act, 1882 (hereinafter referred to as the said Act), for the words "Sub-Assistant Conservator" occurring in the definition of "Forest-officer" the words "Extra Assistant Conservator" shall be substituted.

M dras Act v of 1882.

3. After section 17 of the said Act, the following section shall be inserted, namely:— Insertion of new section 17-A in Madras Act V of 1882.

"**17-A (1)** Where the description of the limits of any reserved forest notified under section 16 is defective or is not clear in reference to existing facts, the Local Government may, by notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, redefine the limits of such reserved forest so as to remove the defect or make the description clear in reference to existing facts. Power of the Local Government to redefine the limits of reserved forests in certain cases.

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(2) A notice shall be published in the manner provided in section 6, in the official gazette of the district specifying as nearly as possible the correction proposed to be effected and calling for objections, if any, from persons interested to be submitted in person or in writing to the District Forest Officer within thirty days of the publication of the notice. After the date specified, if there is no objection, or on the disposal of the objections, if any, a notification confirming the correction shall be published for general information. Except as aforesaid it shall not be necessary to follow the procedure laid down in sections 4 to 16 before issuing a notification under this section."

Amendment of section 34, Madras Act V of 1882.

4. To section 34 of the said Act, the following paragraph shall be added at the end, namely:—

"The Local Government shall also have power to appoint any person to discharge any function of a Forest Officer under any of the provisions of this Act which have been extended to any land or to any forest or waste land or produce thereof by a notification under section 32 or section 33 or under any rule made in pursuance of any provision so extended."

Amendment of sections 41 and 43, Madras Act V of 1882.

5. In sections 41 and 43 of the said Act, for the word 'carts', the word 'vehicles' shall be substituted.

Substitution of new section for section 46, Madras Act V of 1882.

6. For section 46 of the said Act, the following section shall be substituted, namely:—

Procedure in regard to perishable property seized under section 41.

"46. (1) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained—

(*a*) the Magistrate may direct the sale of any property seized under section 41 which is subject to speedy and natural decay; and

(*b*) if, in the opinion of the officer seizing such property, it is not possible to obtain the orders of the Magistrate under clause

(a) in time, such officer may sell the property himself, remit the sale-proceeds into the nearest Government treasury, and make a report of such seizure, sale and remittance to the Magistrate and thereupon the Magistrate shall take such measures as may be necessary for the trial of the accused.

(2) The Magistrate may deal with the proceeds of the sale of any property held under clause (a) or clause (b) of sub-section (1) in the same manner as he might have dealt with the property if it had not been sold."

Appendix VIII.

[Vide item X on page 507 supra.]

To

The Honourable the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
of the GOVERNOR of MADRAS.

On 31st October 1935, the Madras Legislative Council appointed the following persons to constitute a Select Committee to consider and report on the Madras Public Service Commission Bill, 1935 (Bill No. 19 of 1935):—

(1) The Hon. Sir Charles Souter (Mover).
(2) Rao Bahadur Sir A. P. Patro.
(3) The Hon. the Raja of Bobbili.
(4) Mr. V. M. Ramaswami Mudaliyar.
(5) Dr. P. Subbarayan.
(6) Mr. Basheer Ahmed Sayeed.
(7) ,, T. C. Srinivasa Ayyangar.
(8) ,, T. S. Ramaswami Ayyar.
(9) ,, V. P. Narayanan Nambiyar.
(10) ,, T. Narasa Reddi.
(11) ,, A. Ranganatha Mudaliyar.
(12) ,, M. B. Rangaswami Reddi.
(13) ,, D. M. Reid.
(14) Rao Sahib V. Dharmalingam Pillai.
(15) Mr. G. Sriramulu.
(16) ,, J. Kuppuswami Choudari.

The Select Committee thus constituted has the honour to make the following report.